

RIMROCK HIKING TRAIL

WELCOME to the Rimrock Trail. This 1.3 mile trail offers a scenic 1-1½ hour hike from Kinzua Beach to Rimrock Overlook. From the overlook, hikers are awarded outstanding views of the Allegheny Reservoir and the surrounding hillsides. Hikers may also explore the area's giant sandstone boulders, crevasses, and rock outcrops. At both Kinzua Beach and Rimrock, parking, picnic tables, grills, and restrooms are provided free of charge.

The Rimrock trail travels through lands with emphasis on providing complex late structural forest conditions and maintaining mast-producing species such as oaks, which favor wildlife. Scenery is managed to provide a natural appearing landscape and exceptional views of the surrounding environment.

FINDING THE TRAIL – The eastern trail-head is located in the Rimrock Picnic Area parking lot. The western trailhead is located in the upper parking lot of Kinzua Beach. Both trailheads are located off of SR 59, approximately 13 miles east of Warren, PA and 20 miles southwest of Bradford, PA. This trail is located on the Longhouse National Scenic Byway, a 29-mile loop with abundant outdoor recreation sites and scenic vistas around the Allegheny Reservoir. The area in which the trail is located can be found on the Cornplanter Bridge quadrangle map.

HIKING THE AREA – The majority of the trail is level to gradual elevation change. Sections nearing the Rimrock Overlook become moderate to steep. The trail travels through an area that is heavily forested, primarily with mature oak. Along the Allegheny watershed, Native Americans

used fire to promote oak composition for thousands of years. In turn, this provided Native Americans with a dependable mast of acorns. Today, this mast feeds various forms of wildlife such as bear, deer, grouse, and turkey. If you do encounter wildlife, please use respect and view them from a safe distance.

REGULATIONS – This trail is for hiking. Motorized vehicles, ATV's, mountain bikes, and snowmobiles are not allowed on the trail. Forest trails policy prohibits the use of saddle, pack, or draft animals on hiking or cross-country ski trails. Rock climbing and camping is prohibited within the developed portions of the overlook and picnic areas. ***CAMPING IS PROHIBITED ON THE SHORES AND WITHIN 1,500 FEET IN-LAND FROM THE TREE LINE AROUND THE ALLEGHENY RESERVOIR, UNLESS YOU ARE AT A DESIGNATED CAMP-GROUND.***

SAFETY – The skill level of this hiking trail is EASY-MODERATE. We encourage you to hike with at least one other person and to leave your itinerary with friends or family. If you do not return on time or need assistance, this information will assist in locating you.

This trail is open for winter hiking. Remember to dress in layers appropriate for weather conditions. Be aware that this trail may be used in late fall and spring by hunters. It is recommended to wear bright fluorescent clothing while hiking during these time periods.

EMERGENCY – Call 911. The nearest hospital is in Warren, 13 miles west. Be aware that cell phone service is limited to nonexistent throughout the Forest—please plan accordingly.

VOLUNTEERS – These trails are maintained by the volunteer organization, Pennsylvania Kinzua Pathways, and the U.S. Forest Service. If you, a friend, or your club are interested in volunteering to help maintain this trail or any other trail in the Forest, please contact the Bradford Ranger District.

FOR MORE INFORMATION about this and other trail opportunities, contact:

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Pennsylvania Kinzua Pathways

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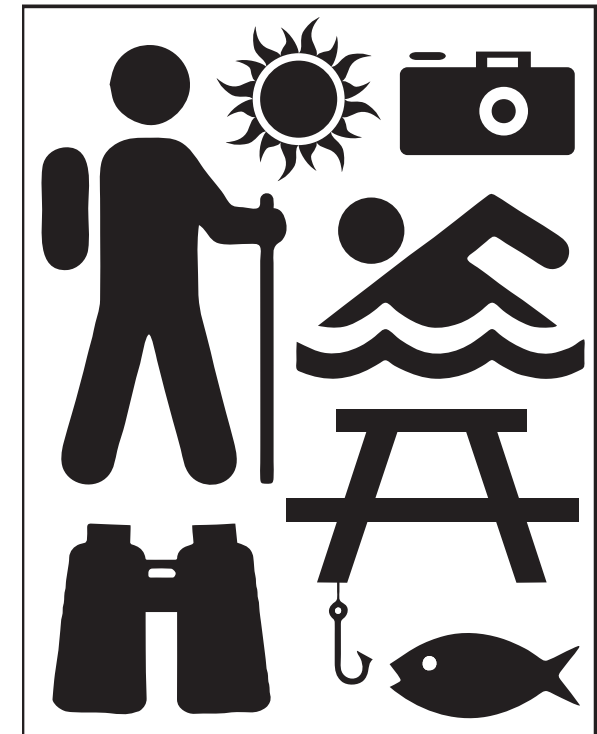


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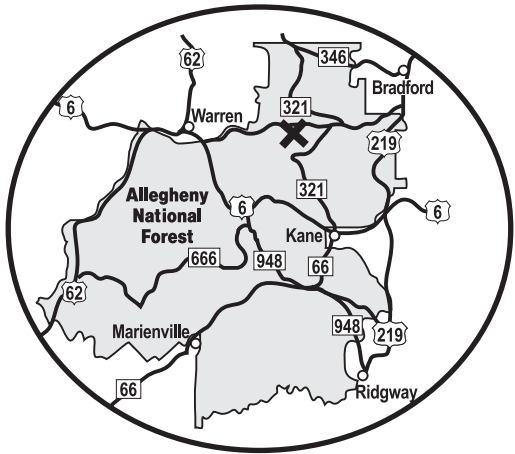
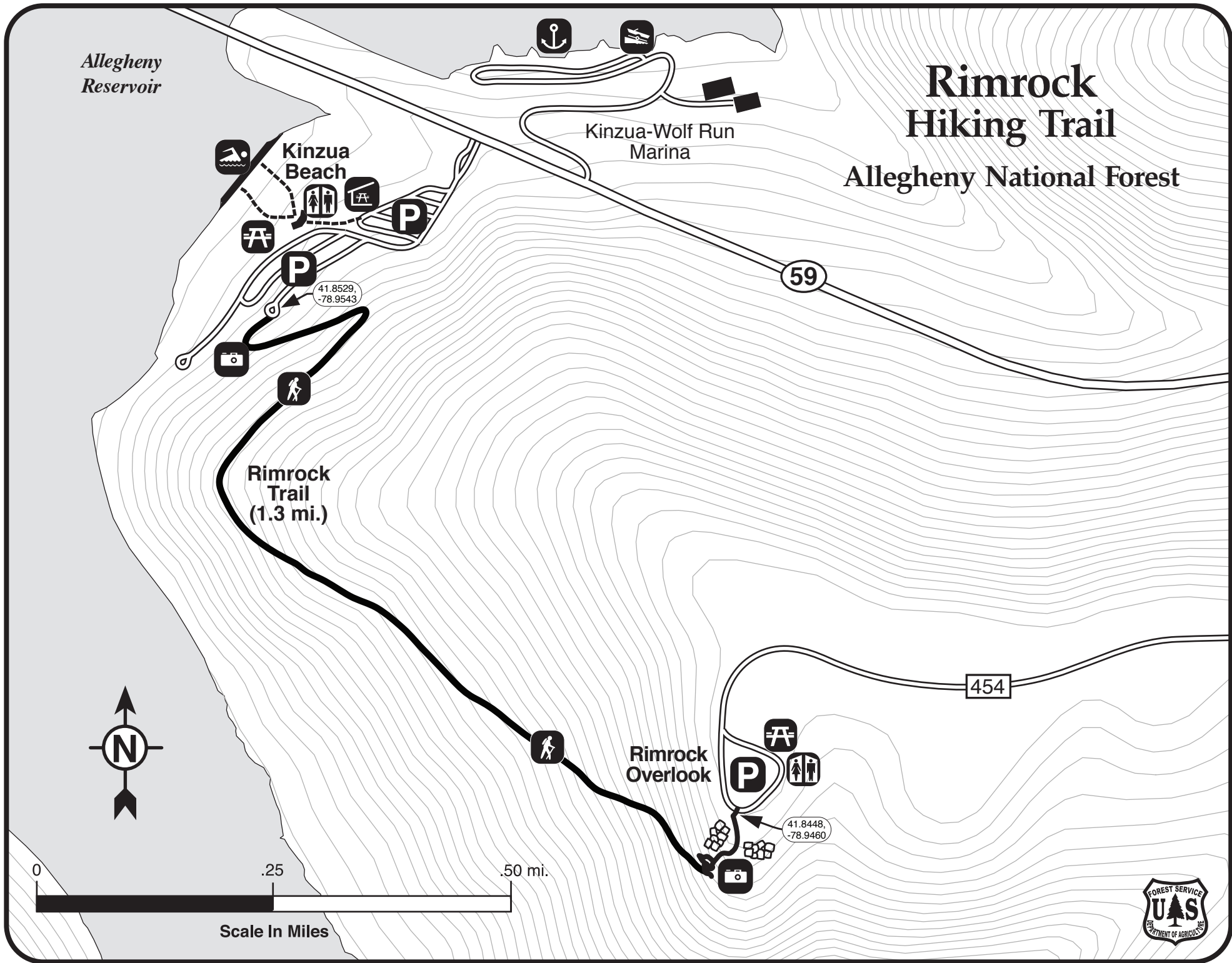
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Legend

- Parking/Trailhead
- Toilets
- Trail
- Picnic Area
- Pavilion
- Viewing Area
- Rocks
- Swim
- Boat Ramp
- Marina

Leave No Trace!

Leave No Trace is a National non-profit organization that unites public and private partners to teach minimum impact skills and ethics to all outdoor enthusiasts.

7 Leave No Trace Outdoor Ethics Principles

1. Plan ahead and prepare.
2. Travel and camp on durable surfaces.
3. Dispose of waste properly.
4. Leave what you find.
5. Minimize campfire impacts.
6. Respect wildlife.
7. Be considerate of other visitors.

Land stewardship ethics courtesy of Leave No Trace (www.LNT.org)

